

**Subpart M—Beer Returned to
Brewery**

§25.211 Beer returned to brewery.

(a) *General.* Beer, produced in the United States, on which the brewer has paid or determined the tax may be returned to any brewery of the brewer. Upon return of the beer to the brewery, the brewer shall determine the actual quantity of beer received, expressed in barrels. For cases or bottles, the label may be used to determine the quantity. When kegs or cases containing less than the original contents are received, the brewer shall determine the actual quantity of beer by weight or by other accurate means. The brewer shall determine the balling and alcohol content of returned keg beer unless the keg is equipped with tamper-proof fittings. The quantity of beer returned may be established by weighing individual packages and subtracting package weight, or by weighing accumulated beer and subtracting tare weight of dumpsters, pallets, packages and the like.

(b) *Disposition of returned beer.* The brewer may dispose of beer returned under this subpart in any manner prescribed for beer which has never left the brewery. If returned beer is again removed for consumption or sale, tax will be determined and paid without respect to the tax which was determined or paid at the time of prior removal of the beer.

(c) *Records.* For beer returned to the brewery under this subpart, the brewer's daily records under §25.292 will show:

- (1) Date;
- (2) Quantity of beer returned;
- (3) If the title to the beer has passed, the name and address of the person returning the beer; and
- (4) Name and address of the brewery from which the beer was removed, if different from the brewery to which returned.

(d) *Supporting records.* The records of returned beer will be supported by invoices, credit memoranda or other commercial papers, and will differentiate between beer returned to the brewery from which removed and beer returned to a brewery different from the one from which removed.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1334, as amended, 1335, as amended, 1390, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5054, 5056, 5415))

**§25.212 Beer returned to brewery
from which removed.**

If beer on which the tax has been determined or paid is returned to the brewery from which removed, the brewer shall take the quantity of beer as an offset or deduction against the quantity of beer removed for consumption or sale from the brewery on that business day, as provided in §25.159

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**§25.213 Beer returned to brewery
other than that from which removed.**

(a) *Refund or adjustment of tax.* If beer on which the tax has been determined or paid is returned to a brewery of the brewer other than the one from which removed, the brewer may make a claim for refund or relief of tax or may make an adjustment to the beer tax return, for the tax on the beer returned to the brewery. The brewer may not take an offset for beer returned to the brewery other than the one from which removed. Procedures for filing claims for refund or relief of tax or for making adjustments to the beer tax return are contained in Supart T of this part.

(b) *Notice.* A brewer need not file notice of intention to return beer to a brewery other than the one from which removed unless required by the regional director (compliance). When a notice is required, the brewer shall serially number each notice and execute it under penalties of perjury as defined in §25.11. The brewer shall file it with the regional director (compliance) through the area supervisor of the area in which the brewery is located where the beer is to be returned. The notice will contain the following information:

- (1) The number and sizes of kegs and the actual quantity of beer, in barrels; or the number of cases and the number and sizes of bottles within the cases and the actual quantity of beer, in barrels;
- (2) The name and address of the brewery from which the beer was removed;